

**OFFICIAL MINUTES JANUARY 8, 2014
CITY OF GUNNISON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

7:00PM

Page 1 of 2

MEMBERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Erik Niemeyer	X		
Erich Ferchau	X		
Andy Tocke	X		
Bob Beda	X		
Sharon Cave	X		
Greg Larson	X		
Councilor Stu Ferguson	X		

OTHERS PRESENT: Community Development Director Steve Westbay and City Planner Andie Ruggera.

I. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM BY CHAIR GREG LARSON

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

III. UNSCHEDULED CITIZENS. There were none

IV. CONSIDERATION OF THE DECEMBER 11, 2013 MEETING MINUTES. Councilor Ferguson moved and Commissioner Niemeyer seconded, to approve the December 11, 2013 meeting minutes as edited.

Roll Call Yes: Ferchau, Tocke, Larson, Cave, Beda, Niemeyer and Ferguson
Roll Call No:
Roll Call Abstain:
Motion carried

V. COUNCIL UPDATE. Councilor Ferguson updated the Commission on recent Council business.

- The new dispatch and police department is up and running and the flexibility of the building is amazing in regard to the electronics. The LEED system has been a headache and the City has hired individuals to work through the issues.
- An Economic Development Conference is at the end of the week and quite a few Council members and representatives in the Gunnison Valley are attending. There are some pretty interesting things happening and it is a coordinated effort with the entire County. Commissioner Ferchau asked Ferguson what he thinks the City and County's role in economic development is. Councilor Ferguson responded that his personal opinion is the focus of economic development ought to be outside government and with a private entity, such as the Chamber of Commerce. Government should address what the barriers are and how to get around them. Ferguson stated City Council should have some interesting meetings on economic development over the next few months.

VI. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Beda thanked the Commission for excusing him at the last meeting.
- Commissioner Tocke inquired on the condition of the City's water system and stated he has lived at two different places, both of which have had a water line break. Councilor Ferguson responded that water leaks are common and said the soils have high corrosive elements that cause the occasional water breaks. Director Westbay stated there is an

**OFFICIAL MINUTES JANUARY 8, 2014
CITY OF GUNNISON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

7:00PM

Page 2 of 2

average of four water breaks during the winter. Ferguson added that Joe Doherty and the water crew do a good job on being proactive and try to repair water lines before a scheduled road repair. Discussion ensued on well water additives and potential wastewater leaks.

- Councilor Ferguson commented that Dusty Szymanski's Community Build project is a great model to have in the community and Dusty did a tremendous job of pushing the boundaries on non-traditional building that is energy efficient and attractive.

VII. PLANNING UPDATE. Director Westbay stated he would update the Commission during the work session.

VIII. ADJOURN. Chair Larson adjourned to a Work Session at 7:25 p.m.

Greg Larson, Chair

Attest:

Andie Ruggera, Secretary